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For:

MULTITHREADED BATCH

PROCESSING SYSTEM

RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 1996, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 14, and 27, as follows:

1. (amended) A method for processing a plurality of discrete events in a processing system having at least one processor, each discrete event comprising a plurality of independent sub-events, said method comprising the steps of:

distributing each discrete event into one of a plurality of segments, each segment comprising a sequence of [at least one] a plurality of discrete events to be processed;

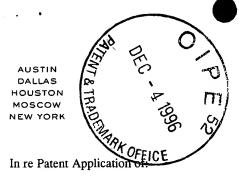
initiating each of said plurality of segments to execute concurrently on said at least one processor;

for each segment, processing each discrete event contained within said segment sequentially;

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Number of Claims		27	28	0	\$22.00	\$11.00	.00		
Independent Claims		5	5	0	\$80.00	\$40.00	.00		
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims					\$260.00	\$130.00			
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